

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 334
By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Ashlee Maranda
Wilkinson, 2005 Co-Valedictorian of Huntland
High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Ashlee Maranda Wilkinson is one such exceptional student who was recently named Co-Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class at Huntland High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Maranda has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Wilkinson has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; she is President of her school's chapter of the National Honor Society, Vice President of the Beta Club, a member of the Annual staff, the Interact Club, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Vice President of the Technology Club; and

WHEREAS, Maranda has demonstrated her athletic ability as Captain of the Basketball Team and Captain of the Soccer Team, was a Wendy's High School Heisman Nominee in Basketball, was selected Basketball All-District Regular Season for 2003-05, All-District Tournament in 2003-04, and All-Regional Tournament in 2004, was Team Leading Rebounder in 2002-04, owned the Best Team Field Goal Percentage in 2002-04, was the Team Gatorade Player of the Year in 2003, and won the Team Hustle Award in 2002; in Soccer she was select All-District Regular Season in 2001-2004; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wilkinson has lent her time and abilities to walking in the Cancer Walk-a-Thon, coaching a Special Olympics athlete, as a Salvation Army Bell Ringer, an Operation Noel worker, a Rotary Horse Show worker, and as a Business Expo worker; and

WHEREAS, Maranda's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; she will be attending Campbellsville University in Campbellsville, Kentucky on a basketball scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wilkinson's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Robert and Hope Wilkinson, Jr., her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Maranda Wilkinson's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2005 Huntland High School Co-Valedictorian, Ashlee Maranda Wilkinson, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.